

# COUNCIL HOLDS FIRST SESSION

Petersburg's Finances Reported in Good Condition by City Officers.

#### MESSAGE FROM NEW MAYOR

Many Practical and Important Recommendations Made by Mr. Cameron.

Times-Dispatch Bureau, 106 North Sycamore Street, etersburg, Va., September 6, new Council held its first bussession this afternoom. The rethe City Treasurer showed that y, total cash receipts in August ed to \$55,859.56, and the Audiport shows that the total disport shows that the total disport shows that the Model of 19. Wessage From the Mayor Wessage From the Mayor.

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RAILROADS FIGHT

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High Virginia Taxes.

Mr. Hamilton asserted that railways are taxed higher, all things considered, than any other property holders in Virginia; that they are forced to pay more taxes in Virginia than in any other Southern State, more than in any of the Middle States, and more than anywhere else excepting New England, where the population is congested.

Referring to the item in his statement as to the Byrd Street Station, which is half owned by the Atlantic Coast Line, Mr. Hamilton said it was given in at \$43,000. He thought that if there was to be an increase based on advancing realty values, it should, like all other property, go into effect in 1911 instead of in 1910.

It being decided to hear all the principal railroads first, the Chesapeake and Ohio was next called. Henry T. Wickham, vice-president and general counsel, represented the road, He thought the matter of physical valuations had been gone into in 1907, when the commission denied a motion of the then Attorney-General for an increase. Commissioner Rhea explained this by quoting from the opinion, which said that this action was taken because the 2-cent passenger rate had not yet gone

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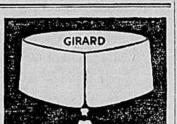
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of the unfavorable business conditions, it would do nothing at that time.

Condition of Roads.

Mr. Wickham delivered quits a convincing speech. He said that in the organization of a State Corporation Commission the Constitutional Convention had for the first time established a tribunal to stand between the railroads and the public. There had always been a conflict between those charged with raising revenue necessary for the support of the government, and those whose duty it was to protect the investments of capital. This was, he thought, a rare provision in the history of the world.

The railroads of Virginia, he asserted, are in a more serious position now than they were a yearage. While the Chesapeake and Ohio showed an increase in operating revenue of about \$150,000, there was a decrease in net revenue of \$13,000. There had been a material increase in wages paid, and the proportion of operating expenses to revenue had grown from 50 per cent, in 1909 to 62 per cent, in 1910. "I am not a pessimist," he said, "and I do not think it admirable that business men should croak." But, he thought, business people should not shut their eyes. People were not buying, so he was informed, and drummers are not going out in the numbers of former years. Contracts are being withheld. Everything is in a state of expectancy, "We are, I think," he declared, "in the trough of the sea in which the country is usually plunged in presidential contests, and which is on us at this time. What the result will be no one knows."



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# ARROW bilm. Death of a Former Citizen. William A. Gregory, a former well known citizen and merchant of Petersburg, died yesterday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Josle L. Branch, at White Plains, Va. The body was brought to Petersburg this afternoon for burial in Blandford Cemetery. Mr. Gregory was seventy-five years old, and a native of Lunenburg county. He was for many years engaged in the dry goods business in this city. General News. The contract for removing the rock in the bed of the diversion channel over in Chesterfield, for which Congress appropriated \$35,000, has been awarded by the government engineer, but to whom is not stated. Two white women—Sarah Brockwell and Lou Slack—were fined \$50 and sent to jail for ninety days each by the Police Justice this morning for maintaining a disreputable resort.

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As to Passenger Rates.

Mr. Wickham old not think the increase in passenger rates from 2 cents to 2 1-2 cents was a sufficient reason for adding to valuations, in as much as 95 per cent, of the earnings of the road comes from freight-carrying, which had not been changed. The half a cent was a negligible quantity when considered with reference to the value of the roadbed.

In virginia, he said, the burden of taxation on railroads was greater than in the other States through which the Chesapeake and Ohio runs. For the year ending June 30, 1910, the company was paying, all told, 3.55 per cent, of it gross operating revenue assignable to Virginia in taxes. The total of taxes will be \$379,072.71. In West Virginia the taxes are \$222, 424.92. or 3,133 per cent, of the gross operating revenue assignable to that State, On the Chesapeake and Ohio lines in Kentucky the tax is \$135, 448.94, or only 1 per cent, of the revenue. For the entire system, not

be made il 1,000, but President Johnson had said this was too much, considering the greatly larger cost of one of the cost of consistency of the statement as to the cost of consistency of the statement as to the cost of consistency of the statement as the tensor of the statement as the cost of consistency of the statement as the cost of consistency of the statement as the tensor of the statement as the cost of consistency of the statement as the cost of consistency of the statement as the tensor of the statement as the cost of consistency of the statement as the constant as the statement as t

tion than are the railroads. A com-parative table showed that the Sen-board earns less money in proportion to its valuation than any other large

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Session of Court Adds 22 Convicts to Penai Camp.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Durham, N. C., September 6.—As a result of the session of 'he Suverlor Court last week, presided over by Judge Lyon, twenty-two prisoners were this morning sent out to the coavict camp to work on the roads. There were nine one-year sentences and the others were for shorter terms.

Garland Curtis, alias Jim Davis, colored, was before Recorder Sykes yesterday for stealing a diamond from Mrs. V. S. Bryant and a rifle from Mr. Bryant. He was given one year on the roads in the rifle case and bound over to court in a bond of \$200 in the diamond case.

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